

SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO LEAGUE NEWS FOR SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2020

Good morning and welcome to the weekly news bulletin of the South African Radio League read by [your name, call sign and QTH]

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In the news today:

and

Stay tuned for more information on these and other interesting news items.

We start the bulletin with news of a silent key.

It is with deep regret that we must announce that the key of Peter Tottle, ZS2ABF went silent on Wednesday 13 May 2020 at the age of 82.

We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

PAUSE

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MY PROJECT IN THE JUNE RADIO ZS

The SARL Council was asked to decide on the winner of the My Project articles on the June 2020 Radio ZS. The winner of the SARL Membership is Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE for his project about the mobile phone/trail camera.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to remain at low levels. There is currently only a single sunspot with a simple magnetic configuration visible. There is a possibility of minor flaring activity. If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around one. The 15 to 30 m bands will, especially around sunrise and sunset, provide some DX fun. Please visit the website spaceweather.sansa.org.za for further information.

Finally, a Diary of some upcoming events:

14 June – the Hammies Sprint

16 June – public holiday and the SARL Youth Sprint

17 June – World QRP Day

18 to 22 June – the SARL Top Band QSO party

20 June – the Winter Solstice and the SARL 95 40 m Club Sprint

21 June - annular solar eclipse

To conclude our bulletin, a quick overview of our main news item:

This concludes our bulletin for this morning.

We invite clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners, in both English and Afrikaans, if possible, by following the News Inbox link on the South African Radio League web page. News items to include in the bulletin should reach the news team no later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

You are welcome to join us every Sunday morning for the weekly radio program, Amateur Radio Today at 10:00 Central African Time. The program can be heard on VHF and UHF repeaters countrywide and on 7 082 kHz lower side-band. A rebroadcast by Andy, ZS6ADY, can be heard on Monday evenings at 19:30 Central African Time on 3 620 kHz. We welcome your signal reports, comments and suggestions; please send these by e-mail to artoday@sarl.org.za.

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From the news team, best wishes for the week ahead.